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NEWSLETTER ~ 24th April 2020

HOME LEARNING

Week 4 Home Learning packs are available on Seesaw or the school website on Monday 27th April:

<http://www.greenfieldsprimary.co.uk/homework-help/>


The Home Learning packs that we have put together are designed to reinforce the learning that the children have already covered in school. Staff are available between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm every school day to respond to any questions or give advice about any of the work. There is also a dedicated email address if you need help: homelearning@greenfieldsprimary.org.uk.

At the moment, the word 'unprecedented' is being used over and over again; we really are living through extraordinary times, so please remember to be kind to yourselves. There will be some days when your children are happy to work and other days when they seem fed-up, frustrated or even angry with the situation; and it's all right to feel all of those things.

If you are finding 'Home-School' a challenge, we have put together some ideas for you in the Home Learning Guide that we sent out to everyone earlier this week.

When school opens again for all children, the staff will pick up your children's formal learning and it will be so much easier for us to do this if your children come back feeling happy and secure.

*" Share your calm,
Share your strength,
Share your laughter with your children.
No children are ahead,
No children are behind.
Your children are exactly where they need to be.
Don't stress about schoolwork. We are the teachers and we will get your children back on track."*



Mind Full, or Mindful?

'THINKUKNOW' ONLINE SAFETY

With children spending increasing amounts of time online, Northumbria Police would like to bring to your attention the 'ThinkuKnow' education programme, which you may find useful for protecting your children online as part of their home learning package. You can use the link below to access the programme: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

There are activities on the website targeted at different age groups to support parents/carers to keep children safe.



#OnlineSafetyAtHome
SIMPLE 15 MINUTE ACTIVITIES TO DO WITH YOUR CHILD

DOWNLOAD THE PACKS FOR AGES:

4-5 5-7 8-10 11-13 14+

LOVE READING ~TRY BORROWBOX!



BorrowBox is an app that allows you to borrow library books online - absolutely free! There are thousands of books and audio books to explore and enjoy for all the family. All you need is a library card and if you are not yet a member of the libraries then you just need to follow this link:

<https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/1009/join-library>

Complete the online joining form to gain access to the BorrowBox library. Let us know which books you recommend!

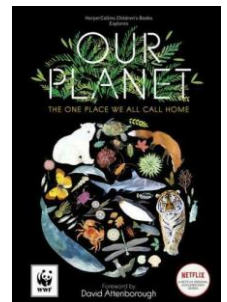
Here are this week's reading recommendations . . . from the children:

"I love Harry Potter because he starts out as the underdog where nobody likes him, but when he arrives at Hogwarts he is suddenly famous and everyone wants to be his friend (except for Lucius Malfoy)! The descriptions of the mythical creatures are fascinating - I would love to see a dragon in real life! I would recommend this whole Harry Potter series because it makes it feel as though you are actually inside the story. (Also, at the minute you can get the audio books for free on Borrow Box and Audible.)"



. . . and from the staff: David Attenborough's 'Our Planet'

"This is a beautiful book that ties in with the television series. There is a stunning mix of artwork and photographs that appeal to children and adults alike, which has kept us entertained for hours. Even if you think you're not that interested in animals, this book is guaranteed to fascinate you!"



AGE UK 'LOCKDOWN' LETTERS



Jo Linton, the Community Engagement Officer at Age UK has contacted school asking for help.

Age UK North Tyneside provides care and support services to a number of residential homes in North Tyneside which are currently on lockdown.

Jo would love it if the children could help them to spread a little joy by writing a Lockdown Letter or drawing a picture for our elderly residents and posting it on Twitter, Instagram or Facebook.

Twitter: @ageUKNT or @EveryDayUKCare

Facebook: @ageuknorthtyneside or @EveryDayCareAtHome

Instagram: @ageuknt



Alternatively, the postal address for our closest Extra Care scheme is:

Lockdown Letters, Weetslade Court, Dunnock Place, Wideopen, Newcastle upon Tyne, Tyne & Wear, NE13 6LG

IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

While school is closed, every week in the newsletter, we will be including something from the news that the children might like to find out more about and talk about at home.

This week's question is: **Do you think people will travel less in the future?**

If you do any of these activities, please post something on Seesaw to tell your teacher all about it.



New figures revealed on the 7th April by the Department of Transport show that only a very small proportion of people in the UK are still travelling during the lockdown period that the government have imposed during the COVID-19 outbreak. Visits to shops, museums and cafes in the UK have fallen by 85% since the coronavirus outbreak, according to data shared by Google. The government has supported Google in using data in this way.

There are many ways to travel. How many different ways can you find to travel using just your body? E.g. hopping, jumping, running, skipping. Can you travel using two hands and two feet? What about two hands and one foot, just two hands, no hands or feet? Explore.

Design and make a junk model of a mode of transport e.g. car, train, aeroplane or bike. If you prefer, you could imagine what a vehicle in the future might look like and create that!



Create a map. This could be a map of your local area or a treasure map! Perhaps you could get someone in your home to use the map to find some treasure.

Imagine you are going on a journey. You can travel anywhere you want! Think about where you will go, how you will travel there, who you will go with, how long it will take, what the journey will be like. Describe your journey.

Can you find out how sound travels? Does how loud or soft a sound is affect how far it travels?

You can still travel to the shops to get food. Imagine that this week, you are in charge of this food shop! Write a list of all the items you would purchase. Can you find out how much each of your items costs? How much will your shopping list be in total?

#NLTVirtualStarAwards2020

Remember ~ 2020 Star Awards are open until the end of the academic year for parents, teachers, family and friends to 'Nominate a Star'.

To nominate a star please go to: <https://ntlearningtrust.org.uk/opportunities/ntlt-star-awards/> or follow this link for the online nomination form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdKyT9scWXJ505_3Rm0pnJnXbJ5OzJEI8kkc8QWJZW5T6A37w/viewform



#NLTVirtualStarAwards2020

Every child or young person nominated will receive a certificate and will be encouraged to upload a picture of themselves with their certificate to twitter using #NLTVirtualStarAwards2020

So, if you know of a child or young person who has shown outstanding resilience, adopted a 'can do' attitude, demonstrated exceptional acts of being useful and kind, volunteered to help others or has just been amazing in some way, then here is an opportunity to recognise them.

FINALLY . . .

Thank you to all the children, parents and carers who have sent messages and video clips to school saying how much they appreciate everything that staff are doing during the coronavirus pandemic.

Please click on this link <http://www.greenfieldsprimary.co.uk/thank-you/>




Domestic abuse – Where to get help during the Covid-19 pandemic


**For 2 million victims of domestic abuse,
home may not be the safe place it should be.**

We can help and support you if you are experiencing domestic abuse, you can contact Northumbria Police by **telephone on 101**, or online via **www.northumbria.police.uk**

However in an emergency, always **call 999**. If you dial 999 and are unable to speak, the emergency operator will ask you to dial 55 and to follow their instruction to quickly put you in touch with Police.

www.northumbria.police.uk

 [northumbriapolice](https://www.facebook.com/northumbriapolice)

 [northumbriapol](https://twitter.com/northumbriapol)

Northumberland

DASN – Domestic Abuse
Service Northumberland
01670 820199

North Tyneside

Harbour
0191 2513305

Gateshead

Domestic Abuse Team Gateshead
0191 4333333

Newcastle

NIDAS – Newcastle
Integrated DA Services
0191 2146501

South Tyneside

Impact Family Services
0737 5788835

Sunderland

Wearside Woman In Need
0800 0665555

Angelou Centre
(support for BME/refugees)
0191 2260394

National Domestic Abuse Helpline
0808 2000247

Men's Advice Line
0808 8010327

National LGBT+
Domestic Abuse Helpline
0800 9995428



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